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SUBJECT: JAPANESE TOURISTS ARRESTED WITH NARCOTICS

1. THAI POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICIALS ARRESTED FOUR JAPANESE TOURISTS AND SEIZED 1,400 GRAMS OF NO. 4 HEROIN AT DON MUANG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON APRIL 17. THREE OF THE TOURISTS WERE ABOUT TO BOARD A JAPAN AIRLINES FLIGHT TO TOKYO WHEN POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS, ACTING ON ADVANCE INFORMATION, UNCOVERED THE HEROIN HIDDEN IN CIGARETTE PACKAGES AND BISCUIT CONTAINERS CARRIED IN HAND LUGGAGE. THE THREE JAPANESE WERE IDENTIFIED IN THE BANGKOK POST OF APRIL 18 AS MISS KUMIKO HAMADA (34), MRS. MIYOKO NAKAGAMA (33), AND MR. HICHAMU YASHINO (36).

2. THE FOURTH SUSPECT, IDENTIFIED AS MR. FUJIO TSUJI, WAS ARRESTED AT THE AMARIN HOTEL AS HE WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR THE AIRPORT. THE BANGKOK POST REPORTED THAT HE WAS THE FINANCIER OF THE GANG.

3. COMMENT: THE JAPANESE POLICE IN TOKYO DEVELOPED THE INFORMATION WHICH LED TO THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THIS CASE. THE DEA OFFICES IN TOKYO AND BANGKOK SERVED AS THE INTERMEDIARY IN PASSING THE INFORMATION FROM THE JAPANESE TO THE THAI POLICE FOR ACTION.

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